





# A Pugnacious Buchanan Minces No Words in Campaign to Rouse Rightist Votes

By Maureen Dowd  
*New York Times Service*  
**MANCHESTER, New Hampshire** — The candidate of political incorrectness was on a tear. Speaking to a packed auditorium of largely appreciative Dartmouth students in Hanover, New Hampshire, the other night, Patrick J. Buchanan called Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese leader, an "83-year-old chain-smoking Communist dwarf."

He skewered Charles Black, the Bush campaign strategist who has been lobbying for a Japanese consortium seeking U.S. business, as "a geisha girl of the new world order."

He mocked Jack F. Kemp, the secretary of housing and urban development who has been the administration's chief proponent of the poor and minorities, saying he had "gone native."

To a young woman who complained about his jagged edge, Mr. Buchanan replied: "In this campaign, I have been called an anti-Semite, a

homophobe, a racist, a sexist, a nativist, a protectionist, an isolationist, a social fascist and a beer ball conservative. And then Sam Donaldson had the nerve on the Brinkley show to ask me if I was insensitive, too. I am none of the above."

His inflammatory comments on sensitive issues — from immigration to Israel to the homeless to foreign trade — are not gaffes. They are, in a way, the whole point of his "America First" campaign.

Over the years — he is 53 — through his newspaper columns and television commentary, Mr. Buchanan has become a wealthy celebrity by wrapping his rightist views in spicy rhetoric.

Indeed, he is well-heeled enough to drive a Mercedes and wear a Hermes tie — possessions that might go better with a "Germany First" or "France First" campaign.

The brawling Irish Catholic teenager from Washington, who grew up in "a world of clarity and absolutes" where his father's "political

holy trinity" was Franco, Joseph R. McCarthy and Douglas MacArthur, has turned into a brawling candidate seeking the presidency, or more realistically, the leadership of the conservative movement.

"There is no conservative party in Washington today," Mr. Buchanan says. "There is a one-party government. The big government Republicans and the big spending Democrats have gotten together to raise taxes the country didn't want, to vote quotas the country didn't want, to vote Congress a 40-to-50-percent pay raise that everybody in America said they didn't want."

Certainly, his strength is that he offers no weasel words. He says things that many Americans believe but are reluctant to say except in private.

But many prominent conservatives and even some friends and admirers are troubled by evidence that Mr. Buchanan may be a disturbing reincarnation of an old-fashioned Know Nothing American nativist rabble-rouser ap-

pealing to Americans' baser emotions. His campaign slogan, "America First," goes back to an isolationist movement before World War II, several of whose leaders were considered German sympathizers.

But as he travels about New Hampshire, campaigning for the primary on Feb. 18, it is clear that Mr. Buchanan has correctly gauged voters' deep anger at President George Bush for staying too long at the global ball — "Skull and Bones International," as Mr. Buchanan calls the Bush presidency, referring to the Yale club that Mr. Bush joined as an undergraduate — while middle-class Americans were slipping into a deep recession.

After Columbia Journalism School and a stint as a newspaper writer, Mr. Buchanan honed his pugnacious prose as a speechwriter in the Nixon White House. He also headed communications in the Reagan White House, a center of rightist ideological ferment.

The Boston Globe has characterized Mr. Buchanan as a pioneer of Republican wedge is-

ues. In one memo that he wrote to President Richard Nixon, he said: "There is a legitimate grievance, in my view, of white working-class people that every time on every issue that the black militants loud-mouth it, we come up with more money."

In an article two weeks ago in the National Review, William F. Buckley, an early hero to Mr. Buchanan, said he had reluctantly decided that Mr. Buchanan had made anti-Semitic remarks. It is an assertion disputed by many of Mr. Buchanan's Jewish friends and colleagues.

On economic issues, his critics see a barely concealed animus toward all groups except his own, a pattern that plays upon the fears that take hold in hard times.

"In 1988 George Bush said, 'We're going to create 30 million new jobs,'" Mr. Buchanan tells his audiences. "What he didn't tell us was that they were in Guangdong Province, Yokohama and Mexico."

Recently, on the ABC News program "This Week With David Brinkley," Mr. Buchanan

observed: "I think God made all people good. But if we had to take a million immigrants in next year, say, Zulus or Englishmen, and put them up in Virginia, what group would be easier to assimilate and would cause less problems for the people of Virginia?"

He complains about "a landfill called multiculturalism" and has proposed the "Buchanan fence," a trench along the Mexican border to control illegal immigration.

He says that relentless homeless beggars should be picked up for vagrancy and locked up. He is strictly anti-abortion, even in cases of rape and incest, saying that it would be better to kill the rapist than the unborn baby.

Mr. Buchanan is focusing nearly all his efforts on New Hampshire. His advisers complain that the Republican Party has been trying to block their attempts to get on several states' ballots.

Mr. Buchanan says he will support Mr. Bush in the general election if he loses, as long as Mr. Bush promises to support him, if he loses.

## U.S. Retracts Stand On Algerian Crisis To Stress Neutrality

By John M. Goshko  
*Washington Post Service*  
**WASHINGTON** — The Bush administration, concerned about being viewed as taking sides in Algeria's political crisis, has rescinded a statement that had characterized the assumption of power by a military-controlled council as being in accordance with the Algerian Constitution.

In an unusually swift policy turnabout, the State Department spokeswoman, Margaret D. Tutwiler, said Tuesday. "There is definitely a change from" the position taken by the administration Monday.

Miss Tutwiler had expressed concern Monday about the cancellation of Algeria's parliamentary elections. But at the time, she said that, in the U.S. view, the council's takeover of responsibility for public order after President Chadli Bendjedid's weekend resignation was in accordance with the Algerian Constitution.

Colonel Bendjedid stepped aside, apparently under military pressure, to block fundamentalist Muslim candidates from winning Algeria's first multiparty elections. U.S. officials privately acknowledged that the situation posed potentially delicate problems for U.S. policy, and the initial U.S. reaction was ambivalent.

U.S. officials have felt caught between conflicting policy aims. While they want to support moves toward democracy in North Africa, and the Middle East, they fear that a victory by fundamentalist parties intent on transforming Algeria into a model Islamic state could have anti-Western effects. As a result, the administration temporized by discussing the constitutionality of the Algerian council's actions.

Officials said Tuesday that there had been second thoughts within



STORM BURIES DETROIT — A cross-country skier negotiating a snowy street in the Detroit suburb of Birmingham after nearly a foot of snow fell during the area's biggest winter storm in 10 years. The weather was linked to up to 15 deaths in Michigan.

## Iraq Will Quickly Rebuild Arms Program, CIA Chief Asserts

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches  
**WASHINGTON** — Iraq clearly intends to restore its nuclear, chemical and biological weapons capability and can do so within a few years despite damage from the Gulf War, the CIA director, Robert M. Gates, said Wednesday.

"Iraq will remain a primary proliferation threat at least as long as Saddam Hussein remains in power," Mr. Gates said at a hearing of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.

Even with the destruction Iraq suffered during the war, the time needed to rebuild Iraq's nuclear weapons program is measured "in a few, rather than many, years," Mr. Gates testified.

Chemical weapons capacity could be rebuilt in a year or so and biological weapons production could be restarted "in a matter of weeks," he said.

To deliver the weapons, Iraq is believed to still have "several hundred" Scud missiles, Mr. Gates said, adding, "We're having some difficulty finding them."

Mr. Gates testified a day before the first anniversary

of the start of the U.S.-led war on Iraq, and in the midst of criticism of what had been the Bush administration's biggest foreign policy triumph.

While Mr. Gates said the Gulf War clearly set back Iraq's weapons programs, his comments about how quickly they could be restored appeared to underscore criticism that the war had fallen short of achieving many U.S. goals.

Representative Lee H. Hamilton, Democrat of Indiana and the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on the Middle East, said in a Public Broadcasting Service interview that Iraq has regained its standing as a regional power, that Arab states have failed to build their own regional security regime, and that Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have failed to move toward democracy.

Halting the spread of mass-destruction weapons is "America's new manifest destiny," said Senator John Glenn, Democrat of Ohio. "Our goal must be to work more closely with other nations to achieve not just a new world order, but a more peaceful world order."

Mr. Gates told the panel that the world continues to see "a steady and worrisome growth in the proliferation of advanced weapons." More than 20 countries have, are suspected to have or are developing nuclear, chemical and biological arms and the means to deliver them, he said.

The United States, he said, is concerned about a "brain drain" of nuclear and other weapons scientists from the former Soviet Union to Third World countries.

Nearly a million citizens of the former Soviet Union had been involved in nuclear weapons programs, he added, although "only a thousand or two" had the skills to design nuclear weapons.

A few thousand had the knowledge and marketable skills to develop and produce biological weapons, Mr. Gates said.

U.S. intelligence, Mr. Gates said, had heard rumors that other nations were trying to recruit former Soviet nuclear scientists, but he had no independent corroboration.

But "this so-called brain drain problem" is the area that "causes us the greatest concern," he said.

"As living conditions in republics get worse and some of these people have no alternative employment or see their families in desperate circumstances, they may be induced to emigrate to some of these countries."

Or, he said, the scientists might stay in place and provide information in exchange for cash.

Mr. Gates said that, based on Soviet scientific collaboration in the 1980s, Cuba, India, Syria, Egypt and Algeria were the most likely to have scientists who would help former Soviet citizens to emigrate.

The CIA chief said it was believed that under foreseeable circumstances the national command authorities of the new Commonwealth of Independent States would be able to maintain effective control over the nuclear arsenal.

But he said there were worries about growing dissatisfaction among military personnel, including those responsible for guarding, operating and maintaining nuclear weapons.

(AP, Reuters)

## 3 Parties Condemn Regime in Algeria

By Youssef M. Ibrahim  
*New York Times Service*  
**ALGIERS** — The three political parties that won seats in the first round of parliamentary elections teamed up on Wednesday to condemn the military-backed government that took power Saturday, accusing it of violating the constitution and demanding an immediate resumption of elections that were canceled.

The attacks came at a time when it appeared the government was floundering as it moved from one failed attempt to another to legitimize its existence.

One of the sharpest condemnations came from Abdelkader Mehri, secretary of the National Liberation Front, the party that has governed the nation for 30 years.

Mr. Mehri accused his former comrades, most of whom are running the present administration, of taking power illegally and of violating it in violation of the constitution.

The most scathing attack came from Abdelkader Hachani, the acting president of the enormously popular Islamic Salvation Front, who said that "the regime is now on the verge of collapse."

Mr. Hachani warned the government against any attempt to dissolve the fundamentalist party and appealed to the army to stop taking orders from "an oppressive clique which is only interested in satisfying its hunger for power."

After forcing President Chadli Bendjedid to resign Saturday, the current government canceled the results of the first free parliamentary elections and annulled any future parliamentary or presidential elections until at least the end of 1993.

But the government's repeated attempts to present these actions in a legal framework that fits with the constitution have failed.

A constitutional committee of senior former officials refused Sunday to approve Colonel Bendjedid's resignation. The so-called High Security Council, comprising six members of the government, collapsed on Monday.

The government's third attempt, on Tuesday, to name a five-man state council, four of whose members would come from outside the governing group of civilian and

## BUSH: Doing Whatever It Takes

(Continued from page 1)  
ommand a tax cut as a cure for the ailing economy but that 1992 politics demand it.

Along with the policy shifts, Mr. Bush is already involved in a familiar stylistic change, engaging again in "common man" campaigning. This was characterized by a shopping trip to buy socks, beer-sipping in a Texas bar and stops at diners and lunch counters to mingle with what the White House chief of staff, Samuel K. Skinner, calls "beer-and-burger folks" — people who have been ignored for the last three years.

Campaign aides also promise renewed emphasis on crime, an election-year favorite for Republicans, and a variation of the 1988 social agenda that emphasized Republican adherence to "family values."

Mr. Bush's aides insist that these changes amount to "political repositioning" to better emphasize the president's differences with Democrats and do not amount to actual changes in position. But beginning with his 1964 run for a Senate seat in Texas, Mr. Bush's campaigns have been characterized by substantive shifts on issues justified by the argument that the position had not changed, only the circumstances.

His shifts have been seized upon by political opponents as evidence that he has no basic convictions. His friends have been just as baffled. Members of Skull and Bones, the secret Yale society to which he belongs, said as the 1988 campaign was beginning that despite appearances to the contrary, they were certain that Mr. Bush was not a conservative but a true mainstream moderate Republican.

None of his positions ever officially change, however, and Mr. Bush becomes irritated whenever the topic arises. Asked in a 1988 campaign appearance what had caused him to change his mind on abortion, which he has come to oppose, Mr. Bush snapped: "Have you ever changed your mind? That's one great thing about intellectual honesty."



President George Bush visiting a farm in Stratton, New Hampshire, on Wednesday during a campaign swing through the state.

## Nonaligned Nations to Meet

*Reuters*  
**NICOSIA** — Foreign ministers of the Nonaligned Movement are to meet in Cyprus on Feb. 3 and 4 to discuss the movement's future.

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## Scandal Hits 2 More Of Miyazawa's Allies

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TOKYO—A spreading bribery scandal is implicating more members of Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa's political faction, including one of his predecessors, Zenko Suzuki, according to news reports Wednesday.

Mr. Suzuki and a former state minister will be questioned on whether they received part of about 500 million yen (\$3.8 million) that Mr. Miyazawa's former senior aide, Fumio Abe, is alleged to have accepted from a now-bankrupt property developer, Kyowa Company, the Kyodo and Jiji news agencies said.

Mr. Abe was arrested Monday on charges of accepting 80 million yen in bribes from Kyowa while he was state minister in charge of developing Hokkaido Island from 1989 to 1990.

The scandal is threatening the administration of Mr. Miyazawa, who has been in office two months and who has yet to exonerate himself of implication in a 1988 stock-for-favors scandal involving the Recruit Company.

Mr. Abe was charged with providing Kyowa with confidential in-

formation on public works projects in exchange for the bribes, part of Kyowa's 500 million yen political donations.

Of the total sum, Kyodo reported, Mr. Abe received 160 million yen as donations for Mr. Suzuki and tens of millions of yen for Jun Shiozaki, a former state minister and director-general of the management and coordination agency.

Mr. Suzuki, who was prime minister from 1980 to 1982, accepted the honorary chairmanship of a private athletic club in Tokyo that was developed by Kyowa and helped the company obtain permission to build a golf course, Kyodo said.

Mr. Abe was believed to have secured cooperation from Mr. Shiozaki in setting a fraud case involving Kyowa and a major trading company, Marubeni Corp., the reports said. Mr. Shiozaki is said to be close to Marubeni.

The Asahi newspaper said that Mr. Abe demanded one billion yen in donations for the Miyazawa faction in January 1990 in exchange for persuading Mr. Suzuki to assume the honorary chairmanship of the athletic club. (AFP, UPI)



CAPPING CEREMONY — Ancient court dress headgears are placed on Japanese women who turned 20 during the previous year by a Shinto priest at Tokyo's Hiye Shrine. The cap-placing came during Coming of Age Day ceremonies on Wednesday.

## Korean Hostility Clouds Miyazawa Visit

By T. R. Reid and Robin Bulman  
Washington Post Service

SEOUL — Several hundred demonstrators chanted epithets and hurled eggs at the Japanese Embassy here on Wednesday, underlining the tense reception that is most likely to greet Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa of Japan when he arrives Thursday for a three-day visit.

The Korean people's animosity toward Japan, which conquered the peninsula at the start of this century and ran a brutal colonial government for four decades, has been heightened in recent weeks by revelations about one of Japan's ugliest World War II atrocities: the enslavement of the "comfort women."

This was the Japanese term for some 100,000 Korean women who were forced to serve as prostitutes for Japanese soldiers all over the Pacific theater in World War II.

They were women like the one known as "Miss B." In a newly filed legal deposition, she recalls that she was sent to a Japanese naval base on the island of Rabaul at the age of 16. In a church that had been virtually converted into a factory for sex, she was forced to undergo intercourse 10 to 15 times a day, seven days a week, she said.

She was regularly beaten and once stabbed.

by her "clients," she says. Finally, the Japanese Navy retreated from Rabaul, leaving the Korean woman behind on the jungle island. Eventually, Miss B. returned to Korea, but she was too ashamed ever to marry, or even to go back to her family.

Many women who endured similar treatment have just recently begun to make their stories public. Several are party to a class-action law suit filed in Japan last month on the weekend of the 50th anniversary of Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor. Others have appeared on television shows and in newspaper interviews.

All of this has made the 50-year-old war crime the most visible issue between the two countries just as Mr. Miyazawa is scheduled to meet with President Roh Tae Woo.

The neighboring democracies have other things to talk about, of course. Mr. Roh plans to raise the matter of South Korea's growing trade deficit with Japan — about \$8 billion last year — and to seek help in reducing it. With that goal in mind, Mr. Roh has said that he will emphasize his interest in increased technological assistance from Japan for Korea's increasingly high-tech industrial base.

Both leaders are concerned about the situation in North Korea, and particularly the North's apparent push to produce enriched fuel for nuclear weapons. Mr. Miyazawa may be in a strong position to influence Pyongyang, because the North is looking toward Japan for trade and economic help.

But a key issue at the talks will be the atmosphere of animosity toward Japan that lingers still among many Koreans.

The anti-Japan feeling has been written into

the law books in South Korea, one of the few countries anywhere where imports of Japanese cars, television sets and other products are banned. Unlike the rest of Asia, no Japanese movies or television programs are shown in South Korea; it is even against regulations to sing a Japanese song in public.

To the amazement and discomfort of the Japanese, the South Korean defense agency last year cited the possibility of a rearmaged Japan as one of its military threats. Mr. Miyazawa, the pacifist leader of a nation that is still largely pacifist, has said that he is determined to prove to Mr. Roh that there is no security threat from Japan.

But in terms of drama, and sheer disbelief, no issue likely to arise in the talks this week has drawn more attention recently than the "comfort women."

The South Korean press has been full of reports about these women for the last few weeks. Television news specials have shown old newsreel footage of filthy army encampments where Korean women, some wounded and some pregnant, were forced to continue having sex with Japanese soldiers.

And just last weekend, a Japanese historian found documents in Tokyo that seem to prove something the Japanese have previously denied — that the program was conceived and run by the Japanese military government. In the past, Tokyo had argued that private companies set up the operations as contractors to the army.

In an interview with Korean reporters in Tokyo on the eve of his trip, Mr. Miyazawa formally apologized to the Korean people for Japan's enslavement of the Korean women.

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## Beijing Moves to Calm Unrest by Separatists

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BEIJING — The general secretary of the Chinese Communist Party, Jiang Zemin, has warned that the government will not tolerate ethnic nationalism and will combat a "handful of separatists" who threaten unity.

Mr. Jiang made the declaration in what the official press called an "important speech" at a national conference on minority groups. The speech was reported Wednesday in all major newspapers. Prime Minister Li Peng attended the start of the conference.

"No matter what international changes take place," Mr. Jiang said, "all nationalities in China will remain united and jointly strive for the modernization of the country."

China, he added, "will oppose both chauvinism from the larger nationalities and local nationalism."

Since the breakup of the Soviet Union, Chinese leaders have stepped up appeals for national unity, apparently reflecting fear of outbreaks of nationalism.

Officials in Xinjiang, the predominantly Muslim region of ethnic Uighurs that borders on former Soviet Central Asian republics, have spoken in recent weeks of "foreign agents" infiltrating separatist circles.

China has about 55 ethnic minority groups comprising nearly 100 million people, less than a tenth of the total population. Most live in underdeveloped or frontier areas.

Besides Xinjiang, Tibet and Inner Mongolia have undergone outbreaks of nationalist unrest that have been promptly repressed by security forces.

Mr. Jiang said the 1990s were critical for the "socialist" modernization of China. He cited five priorities in policy toward minorities.

First was an acceleration of economic development to enable minority areas to keep pace with growth in the rest of the nation.

Social services, such as health care, are to be increased, and China is to pursue a policy to allow the development of minority-populated areas, he said.

The theoretical autonomy in place in Xinjiang, Tibet, Inner Mongolia and other minority regions is to be improved, Mr. Jiang said.

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The Nayirah Deception

It is plainly wrong for a member of Congress to collaborate with a public relations firm to produce knowingly deceptive testimony on an important issue. Yet Representative Tom Lantos of California has been caught doing exactly that. His behavior warrants a searching inquiry by the House Ethics Committee.

Mr. Lantos is co-chairman of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus. John MacArthur, publisher of Harper's magazine, has revealed the identity of a 15-year-old Kuwaiti girl who told the caucus that Iraqi soldiers had removed scores of babies from incubators and left them to die.

Bush and Protectionists

In trying to strengthen himself on one political front on his trip to Asia, President George Bush may have weakened himself on another. He presented himself as a champion of American jobs. In the process, he risked weakening himself as a defender against protectionism.

ment spending both would be reduced, but so would the incomes of inefficient farmers, and the French and other European governments are afraid to risk it.

To Print or Not to Print?

Bradley Smith is a Californian who acknowledges that the Nazis were cruel to Jews but who denies that the Holocaust ever happened. He has tried to expound his views in a 4,000-word essay submitted as an advertisement to several college newspapers.

is something for the newspapers to decide. The second lesson is that there is probably no right answer to the question of how they should decide. College editors have come out in different ways.

Other Comment

Ends and Means in Algeria The seizure of power by Algerian authorities illustrates some of the old dilemmas confronting human societies: Must liberty be refused to the enemies of liberty? Does the end justify the means? Is democracy too precious to be put suddenly in the rough hands of a people not "mature" enough for it?

in fact deposed, the electorate betrayed, and democracy profaned for a long time to come. Unlike totalitarianism, which wrongly thinks itself unshakable, the democratic mentality is based on acceptance of defeat.

LEARNING DISABLED



The Gulf War Was Well Begun and Badly Ended

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — The Jan. 16 anniversary of the launch of Operation Desert Storm invites journalists and policymakers to peek in history's rearview mirror. But past is always prologue. We should look at the same time at the shadows that the key decisions at the Gulf war cast on the road ahead.

Mr. Bush's national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, asks the president to "let the debate develop" at the 8 A.M. gathering rather than make his views known at the outset.

Contrary to the impression spread by critics of Mr. Bush as an imperial president eager to run roughshod over Congress, the president is shown here resisting appeals from Mr. Cheney (a former congressman) and Mr. Scowcroft to ignore the war-making powers of Congress.

Too Much Unskilled Immigration Is Bad for You

By Lawrence E. Harrison

WASHINGTON — High levels of immigration, legal and illegal, have produced the positive economic results in America that growth-minded advocates have expected.

The loss of competitive advantage of many U.S. producers in recent decades is the consequence of the slow growth of labor productivity. That is partly due to low levels of research, development and investment compared with Japan and Germany.

Immigration is but one of several causes of America's economic malaise, but it is not an insignificant one. Immigration proponents argue that immigrants accept wages and working conditions that other citizens do not.

Cold War: Red Scares Were the Rule

By Roger Morris

SANTA FE, New Mexico — A great Eurasian empire is crumbling. Presiding over one of the richest states on earth, the government cannot feed its people. Everywhere schemes, inaction, deepening bitterness and despair.

Orson Welles' film villain in "The Third Man" is selling diluted penicillin to sick children in Vienna, a real-life California oilman and major Democratic Party contributor named Edwin W. Pauley leads a U.S. delegation to Moscow to discuss German reparations for the victorious but devastated and impoverished Soviets.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO 1892: Arab Slave Hunters LONDON — Representatives of the Lakes Company in Nyassaland send news from Mozambique of serious disaster to the force under Mr. H. H. Johnston. Consul Johnston has been recently engaged with a force of some hundred Sikhs and local police, in suppressing the slave trade on the hitherto with signal success. It would, however, appear from the news received that the Arab slave hunters have handed themselves together for the purpose of more effectively resisting the British force, and made an attack upon Makajira, a town within the British Protectorate, not far from the Portuguese boundary.

Play Japan By Japan's Own Rules

By Chalmers Johnson

SAN DIEGO — George Bush's trip to Asia was an attempt to provide the appearance of policy instead of a serious economic strategy.

The administration's two substitutes for policy, the Structural Impediments Initiative and the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations, are smoke screens to obscure its inaction.

1917: Austrians Amok

BERNE — Serious popular disturbances have occurred at Graz, Austria. Huge crowds ran amok in the street demanding increased rations and shouting "We are starving. We

1942: Australians at War

SINGAPORE — [From our New York edition:] Australian troops, apparently held in reserve throughout the last five weeks of bitter fighting down the jungle trails of Malaya, oow are in action against the Japanese invaders above Johore State. The British announced tonight [Jan. 15] it was the first official reference to Australians being in combat. The announcement electrified Singapore. People hoped it meant these fresh troops would tip the balance by the policy of fighting defensive rearguard actions, but would be prepared to take the offensive.

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OPINION

What's Cooking in America Is the Commuter's Temper

By George F. Will

WASHINGTON — Up in the Center of the Universe, as New Hampshire is for a blink every four years, presidential candidates are professing an as-yet-unrequited love for the natives, whose economic prostration has concentrated attention on elemental economic catastrophes — unemployment, bankruptcies, bank failures, collapsing real estate values. But elsewhere there are more subtle indices of America's condition. Here are four small facts pregnant with political meaning.

In 1991, Wal-Mart replaced Sears as the nation's largest retailer. The Center for Disease Control, studying violence as a communicable epidemic, reports that one in five high school students carries a gun, knife or club into the classroom.

Alan Greenspan, keeper of the currency, says his mail is running heavily against lower interest rates.

The Campbell Soup Company predicts that by the turn of the century 25 percent of all automobiles will contain microwave ovens.

The four facts illuminate a fifth — national stress.

Wal-Mart's ascendancy is the result of brilliant execution of several strategies (inventory control, advantageous partnerships with vendors) and two insights: The dispersal of America's population from central cities would enable a chain of discount stores to grow by starting in small towns and moving toward suburbs; and the great tendency of the 1980s was not the exodus of the few (noticed, because partaken of, by many), but the fragility of the many.

Wal-Mart may be the emblematic caricature of post-1973 America, the period since the oil shocks made economic growth problematic and personal income growth sluggish.

The emblematic sight of these 18 years has been women driving off to work to help maintain their families' suburban standards of living.

In the last two decades the workweek has lengthened, especially for women and everyone in small businesses, and leisure time has declined even more as adults in two-earner families scramble to achieve and maintain suburban living. (This will be the first presidential election in which a majority of voters will be suburbanites.)

The primary emotion behind the scramble? Fear, and not just fear of being

driven down the social ladder. Fear of being driven down is related to a stark physical fact. Urban governments are failing to perform their primary function of protecting people from violence, on streets and even in homes and schools.

Some people say crime today is not as bad as the media make it seem. But by some measures it is worse than it seems. UCLA's James Q. Wilson estimates that if America still had the quality of medical care (especially shock trauma and emergency care) of 1957, today's murder rate would be three times higher than it is.

One reason governments seem to be taxing more and performing worse is the explosive compounding of slow economic growth with the aging of the population in a welfare state service to the elderly. Lee Smith of Fortune magazine reports that the country is spending \$11,000 on every American over 65 but only \$4,200 on each child under 18. (Those over 65 have a voting rate 50 percent higher than those aged 18 to 34.) By the turn of the century, spending on the elderly will absorb about half of the federal budget. That is one reason why in some cities the rate of immunization of poor children is lower than in Uganda.

It is an old story. The squeaking wheel gets the grease. The elderly write better letters than infants write. Fed Chairman Greenspan says that most of his mail about interest rates comes from retirees living on interest from savings. They are not amused by rate reductions that reduce their incomes.

Economic anemia, governmental paralysis, frayed families: What about Americans' most intimate relationships with their cars? People are turning their cars into mobile offices, kitchens and recreation rooms because they spend so much time in them during the congestion of commuting. Fortune's John Huey reports that the most common commute is from one suburb to another. America has more cars than licensed drivers.

California's Office of Traffic Safety, also not amused, reports that commuters are now just idling (there are 6.4 million cellular phones up from half a million in 1986), they are brushing (and flossing) their teeth, diapering and nursing babies, mending clothes, eating baked potatoes and bowls of cereal. Politicians should ponder these matters when trying to understand the electorate's short fuse and shorter attention span.

Washington Post Writers Group.



Dwarf States, He Thought, Will Be Safer Than Giants

By John McLaughry

KIRBY, Vermont — Secession and political disintegration have redrawn the map of Europe in the last few months. The Baltic states declared independence, Croatia and Slovenia have struggled to withdraw from Yugoslavia, a loose commonwealth has replaced the Soviet Union. There have even been independence movements within independence movements, as in Abkhazia and South Ossetia in ex-Soviet Georgia. Unnoticed amid this turmoil was the 50th anniversary a few months ago of a

MEANWHILE

remarkable essay which bravely declared that the world would be better off if large states splintered into small pieces.

Disunion was an unpopular idea among internationalist Americans in 1941. Far more appealing was "union now" on a supranational scale. The thrust of Adolf Hitler called for the power of unity, not fragmentation and weakness. In this atmosphere, Commonweal magazine of Sept. 26, 1941, published an essay entitled "Disunion Now: A Plea for a Society Based Upon Small Autonomous Units."

The author was Leopold Kohr, a 31-year-old Austrian-born economist who used a pseudonym (Hans Kohr) because he hoped that readers would mistake the name for Hans Kohr, a well-known historian at City College of New York, and be more likely to read the article.

The essay began by rebutting the idea, as summarized by Mr. Kohr, that "the evils of our globe would be eliminated by simply doing away with the varieties of states through uniting — the democracies, the continents later, the world in the end."

He argued that Switzerland, often cited as exemplifying the merits of unification, had thrived not because of national unity but because of the smallness of its cells. "The great number of proud, democratic and almost sovereign cantons, and the small (size of) cantonal populations, eliminates all possible imperialist ambitions on the part of any one canton, because it would always be outnumbered by every very small combination of others."

In places of France, Germany, Russia and Italy, Mr. Kohr recommended 40 to 50 versions of Lombardy, Burgundy, Savoy and Estonia. "Then the Great Powers, which are the womb of all modern wars — because they alone are strong

The writer, a Vermont state senator, is co-author with Frank Bryan of "The Vermont Papers." He contributed this column to The New York Times.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trust the Voters

Regarding "Politics-Minus-Parties Doesn't Work for America" (Opinion, Jan. 4) by David S. Broder:

While I share Mr. Broder's concern for the American government's increasingly pitiful performance, I would like to take exception to his implication that government by referendum would lead to totalitarianism.

I was proud that my home state of Washington gave me, not a politician, the choice to decide whether I want to bring another life into this overpopulated world, and whether I want to die with dignity. The key word here is choice. Passage by referendum would not force anyone to have an abortion, or be subjected to what some misinformed souls might call euthanasia. It would ensure that these options remain or become legal. Referendums put decision-making in the voters' hands.

More and more it seems that Americans have no choice of how their money is spent or how the country is run. If I could have more faith in "leaders of rare political skill," I would be less inclined to want to "bypass and neuter the legislative institutions."

Government is supposed to be for and by the people.

HARRIET W. CAVALLI, Gelterfingen, Switzerland.

Just Major Alterations

Regarding the editorial "Rebuilding South Africa" (Dec. 26):

Talks between the South African government and the nonwhite parties are not supposed to decide any kind of "rebuilding" of the country because this would imply destroying it first. The goal is just the opposite: keep the place standing on its feet as an industrialized state, the only one in Africa, with all its potentialities.

JEAN M. G. CHESNEAU, La Croix-Valmer, France.

One Nation, Under God

Regarding "200 Years Later, Reason for Madison to Take Pride" (Opinion, Dec. 14) by Anthony Lewis:

James Madison, "the chief architect of the Constitution," might be pleasantly surprised about the durability of his country, but aghast at how the Supreme Court has increasingly abused its power and progressively expunged religion from public life. He called religion "the basis and foundation of the government."

Contrary to popular understanding, the words "separation of church and state" appear nowhere in the U.S. Constitution. The idea was adopted by the 1947 Supreme Court (Everson v. Board of Education) from Jefferson's Letter to the Danbury (Connecticut)

Baptists assuring them that there would be no attempt to establish a state church, such as the Church of England. Jefferson's words were meant to assure confidence in a broadly religious society. The 1947 Supreme Court, invoking these words out of context, used them to attack a broadly religious society.

On June 28, 1787, Benjamin Franklin told the Constitutional Convention: "The longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth — that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?"

How did the convention respond? By opening every succeeding session with prayer. How does the modern Supreme Court respond? By outlawing nonsectarian school prayer (Engel v. Vitale, 1962) and even moments of silence (Wallace v. Jaffree, 1984) — lest any student even think about God!

George Washington, John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson and Abraham Lincoln were vocal about the importance of biblical teaching.

Only by ignorance or cunning can one deny that the framers of the Constitution sought to promote "a strong and pluralistic religious society," — a concept which went unchallenged for 150 years.

STEVE VANNE, Meiner, Switzerland.

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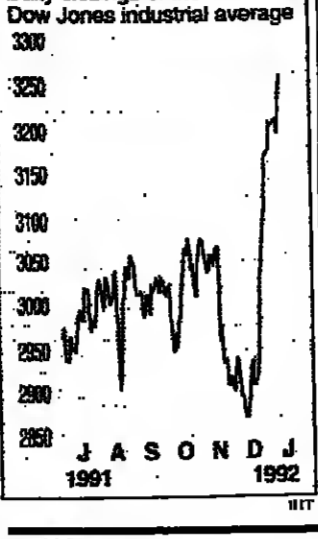
Dow Hits Record 2d Day in a Row

NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed Wednesday at record levels amid scattered signs of better-than-expected fourth-quarter earnings. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which had risen 60.60 points on Tuesday, rose another 12.30 to close at 3,258.50, hitting a new closing high for the sixth time in the 10 trading sessions in 1992.

DOLLAR: U.S. Unit Races Ahead

(Continued from page 1) A euphoria in these action-packed, emotion-packed markets. Other comments also sent warnings of a possible bubble. Scott Black, president of the money-management firm Delphi Management, described the market as the most speculative he had seen since 1974 and said it did not reflect the fundamentals of corporate America.

The Dow



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AMR Reports Worst Annual Loss

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines' parent company, AMR Corp., said Wednesday that it had a loss of \$124.9 million in the final three months of 1991 and a staggering \$239.9 million shortfall for the full year.

Alcoa Hurt by Aluminum Surplus

PITTSBURGH (Reuters) — Aluminum Co. of America, the world's largest aluminum producer, reported Wednesday a bigger fourth-quarter loss than a year earlier caused by a worldwide surplus of aluminum that has depressed prices.

Vote Alters General Dynamics Plan

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — General Dynamics Corp. shareholders voted Wednesday to revise a controversial incentive plan that paid out more than \$26 million to company executives in less than a year.

Banks Break Off Talks on Merger

BOSTON (AP) — Shawmut National Corp. said Wednesday that it had broken off merger talks with Bank of Boston Corp., ending months of negotiations that would have combined two troubled banks into the largest in New England.

Inventories Rise 3d Month in a Row

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — Stocks of unsold goods at U.S. businesses rose for the third consecutive month in November, the government said Wednesday, a sign of feeble consumer demand in late 1991.

For the Record

Musical America, the oldest U.S. magazine devoted to classical music, has ceased publication, having had losses of \$700,000 in 1991, and the January-February issue is to be the bimonthly magazine's last.

Large advertisement for NASDAQ, featuring the text 'NASDAQ' and 'Innovative & Powerful'.

LLOYD'S: Corporate Members Proposed to Stem Losses by Underwriters

(Continued from first page) pay out any money until 1997, since it covers losses accumulated over a four-year period. The radical proposal to throw open the doors of Lloyd's to corporations has an even cloudier future.

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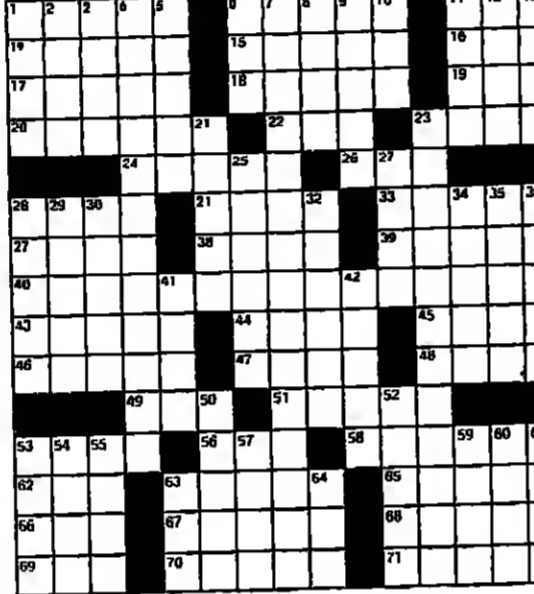
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Diezel has a technological cooperation agreement to make trucks as well. Crippling import taxes on car parts have hit foreign companies assembling kits for sale in China.

The new venture will be a marriage of two ailing companies. General Motors had a loss of \$2.2 billion in the first nine months of 1991.

Shanghai Firm to Issue Equity to Foreigners

BEIJING — A state-owned Shanghai company has been authorized to become the second Chinese company to issue stock for sale abroad, the People's Daily newspaper announced Wednesday.

Gold Cup, a state-owned company in the heavily industrialized northeastern city of Shenyang, had a loss of 60 million yuan (\$11 million) in 1990, the largest of any company in the city.

Hyundai Bars Workers As Auto Strike Looms

SEUL — South Korea's largest automaker, Hyundai Motor Corp., locked out workers Wednesday at its five assembly plants in the southeastern city of Ulsan to head off a strike planned by more than 30,000 union members.

Investor's Asia

Table showing stock market indices for Hong Kong, Singapore, and Tokyo. Includes columns for Exchange, Index, Wednesday Close, and % Change.

Very briefly:

- New Zealand's inflation rate in 1991 was just 1 percent, the lowest level in 31 years, the Statistics Department said.
- Caltex Pacific Indonesia has discovered oil in Riau Province in Central Sumatra.

Watanabe Calls for Japan Rate Cut

TOKYO — Foreign Minister Michio Watanabe called Wednesday for a cut in Japan's key interest rate to help the slumping U.S. economy and avoid a plunge on Wall Street.

2 Thai Banks Win the License Race in Vietnam

HANOI — The government has decided to allow two Thai banks, Bangkok Bank Ltd. and Thai Military Bank, to open branches in Vietnam, making them the first foreign banks to be licensed to operate commercially here on their own.

The talks centered on scheduling repayment of about 20 billion yen (\$158 million) borrowed by the South Vietnamese government before it fell to the North in 1975.

Mr. Kawakami then held talks with Deputy Foreign Minister Vu Khoan, and on Wednesday with Foreign Minister Nguyen Manh Cam and Deputy Prime Minister Phan Van Khai.

Daewoo in Pyongyang Talks

SEOUL — Kim Woo Choong, head of the Daewoo Group, arrived in North Korea on Wednesday to discuss joint business ventures and investment, according to Daewoo officials.

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With Ex-Hoosier, Ohio State Rallies But Indiana Wins

The Associated Press Lawrence Funderburke's return to Bloomington, Indiana, may not have been as a winner, but it did not lack for excitement.

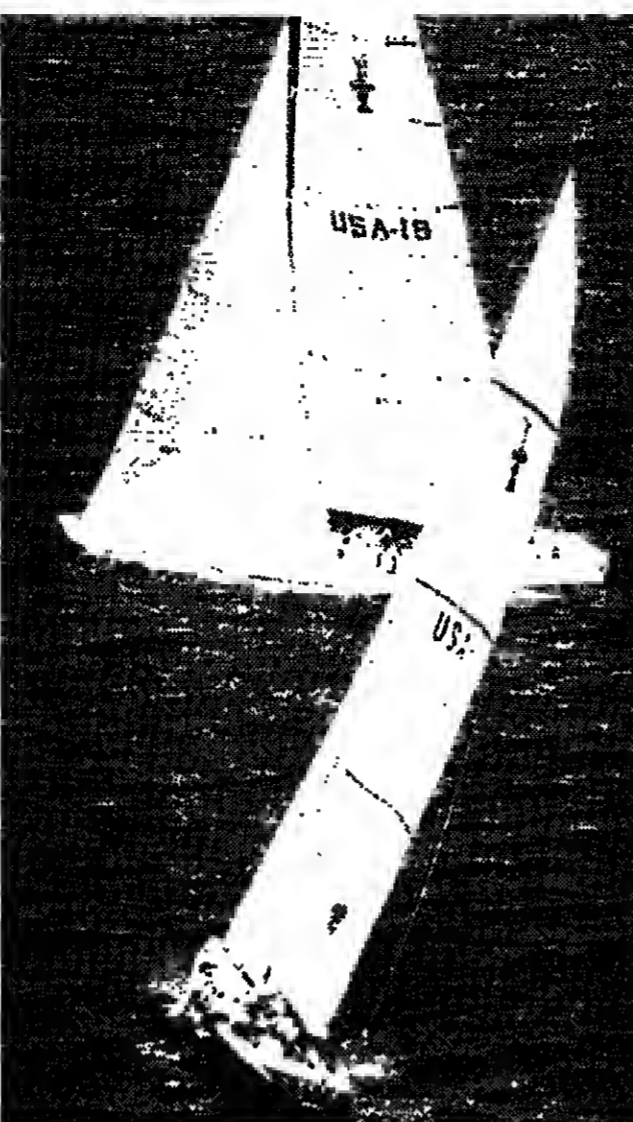
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Defiant, bearing USA 18 on her sail, headed to the first mark with a large lead on Stars & Stripes and won the first race of the trials.

Conner Gets Salty Taste Of His Own Medicine

By Angus Phillips Washington Post Service

SAN DIEGO — It has been a dozen years since Dennis Conner redefined America's Cup racing by creating the multiple-boat, year-round Cup campaign.

SIDELINES

3 European Teams to Play in U.S.

NEW YORK (Reuters) — The national teams of Italy, Ireland and Portugal will take part in a four-nation soccer tournament in the United States this year, the U.S. Soccer Federation announced.

U.S. Bobsled President Suspended

NEW YORK (NYT) — The turmoil that has engulfed the U.S. Bobsled Federation for several years continued Tuesday when the board of directors suspended its chairman, Neil Richardson.

By a vote of 9-3, Richardson was forced to step aside because of his role in the recent dispute between the federation and four athletes — Edwin Moses, Willie Gault, Greg Harrel and Brian Shimer — who had filed a grievance asserting they had been denied a fair chance to make the Albertville Olympics as a four-man team.

For the Record

Hubert Auriol of France clinched a victory Wednesday in the automobile section of the Paris-Capetown Rally, while countryman Stephan Peterhansel ensured first place in the motorcycle section.

Keith Gilbertson, the offensive coordinator for undefeated and No. 2-ranked Washington, was hired as head football coach at the University of California.

Quotable

Pat Williams, general manager of the NBA's Orlando Magic, on 320-pound (145-kilogram) rookie Stanley Roberts: "His idea of a balanced meal is a Big Mac in each hand."

Winners and Losers Seeking Salary Arbitration

By Murray Chass New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Barry Bonds, a two-time winner, and Doug Drabek, a two-time loser, are among the largest salary earners ever awarded in a hearing, were among 149 players who filed for salary arbitration Tuesday, the final day of the filing period.

Bonds, who has helped Pittsburgh win two consecutive National League East championships, may have to be more cautious with his strategy than he was the past two years.

players file, followed by Atlanta with 10 and the Pirates, the New York Mets, Los Angeles and Kansas City with nine each.

BOOKS

ANTI-AMERICANISM: Critiques at Home and Abroad, 1965-1990

By Paul Hollander. 515 pages. \$35. Oxford University Press Inc., 200 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016.

Reviewed by Herbert Mitgang

AFTER plowing through the thickets of a dense and depressing sociological tract titled "Anti-Americanism," the only good news is that the year has nowhere to go but up.

"well-worn left-of-center political attitudes" is Walter Cronkite. Walter Cronkite, the most trusted anchor in television history? Say it isn't so, professor! Not Uncle Walter!

of the period, its movements, protagonists and beliefs," or to romanticize the U.S. Communist movement. In his view, un-American films which idealize the wrong side include "The Big Chill," "The Return of the Secaucus 7," "Running on Empty," "Reds" and "The Front."

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

HONOR cards are more useful in a long suit than in a short and jacks are a particular problem in balanced hands.

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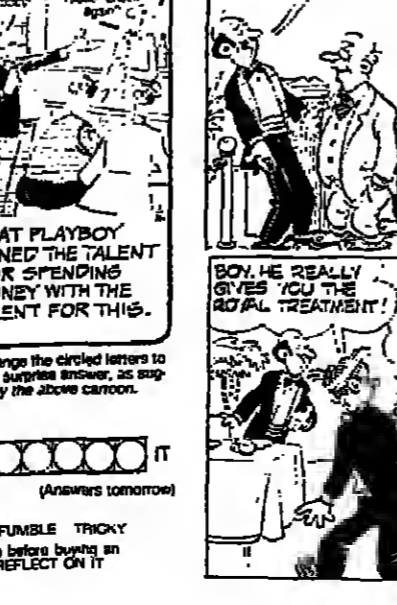
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SPORTS

Bills' Linebackers Buck the Statistics

By Mike Freeman
Washington Post Service
ORCHARD PARK, New York — The Buffalo Bills want it known that statistics don't tell the whole story. Just ask linebacker Cornelius Bennett, a maven on the field who is a symbol of how Buffalo's linebackers have dominated opposing teams recently.

Darryl is the type of guy who is more or less a general out there," said Bailey whose father, an army sergeant, fought in the Gulf war. And Bennett, he said, "is maybe a colonel out there or something. They both use their leadership, but Darryl is probably the head man out there. And Shane is like a spy type of guy where he goes out there and 'Wham!' he comes up and he knocks you down before you know he's there. I guess I'm the up-and-coming soldier. The soldier that is still training and still learning."

Giants Agree On San Jose

The Associated Press
SAN JOSE, California — After years of wooing the San Francisco Giants, officials of the city of San Jose announced Wednesday an agreement in principle to bring the major league baseball team south.

The Bills gave Bennett more freedom, and he took advantage of it. Bennett finished the regular season with 107 tackles, nine quarterback sacks, six passes deflected, four forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries. At times this year Bennett has moved from inside to outside linebacker — wherever he's been needed. When Smith and Wright were hurt, the Bills sometimes used a 2-5 alignment (two linemen, five linebackers) the Bills called their "Sic-em" defense instead of their traditional 3-4. Bennett played inside in the 2-5 and in that scheme was almost devoid of any responsibilities.



John McEnroe got a charge out of defeating the No. 21-ranked Russian Andrei Cherkasov, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, after feuding with the umpire about line calls in the first game.

Cool McEnroe Sets Up Showdown With Becker

The Associated Press
MELBOURNE — John McEnroe got his complaints out of the way early Wednesday, thumbed his temper and survived a three-hour duel in the Australian Open to set up a third-round match against Boris Becker, the defending champion. McEnroe, alternately brilliant and sloppy, beat the No. 21-ranked Russian Andrei Cherkasov, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, after feuding with the umpire about line calls in the first game.

up to 110 degrees Fahrenheit (43 degrees centigrade) earlier in the day and glided closer to their second straight Grand Slam titles. Taking some speed off his serve to save his sore arm, Edberg, the U.S. Open champion, beat Claudio Mezzadri, 6-1, 6-2, 6-1. Seles, recovering from neck pain that has weakened her serve, eschewed her recent experiments with a serve-and-volley game and relied on her dominating groundstrokes to dispatch Kimiko Date of Japan, 6-2, 7-5.

"He looked a little bit slow, so today was the right day for me to beat him," said Wahlgren, who beat No. 20 Brad Gilbert in the first round. "It's not often you get a chance to beat the very good guys." Pat Cash, a friend and kindred spirit of John McEnroe, poured out heart, soul and sweat on center court for four hours but in the end self-destructed on anger and errors in losing to 13th-seeded Emilio Sanchez of Spain, 7-6 (7-5), 6-2, 6-7 (9-11), 3-6, 6-1.

A Seles-Connors Tennis Match? 'Love to,' She Says, for Equal Pay

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
MELBOURNE — Monica Seles, the world's top ranked women's player, said Wednesday, in what was immediately billed as another "Battle of the Sexes," that she was all in favor of a tennis showdown with the veteran men's star, Jimmy Connors.

1991 U.S. Open hero, Connors, now 39, Seles said with a broad smile. "I'd love to play him. We'd both kind of grunt — it would be a high level of play and fun." Seles, 18, was but a few months old when Connors won the first of his eight Grand Slam titles in 1974.



Monica Seles, given little pause by Kimiko Date of Japan, thought a match against Jimmy Connors would be fun. 'I'd love to play him,' the 18-year-old Yugoslav said of the 39-year-old American. 'We'd both kind of grunt.'

SCOREBOARD

Table with columns for Basketball (NBA Standings, Eastern Conference, Western Conference) and Hockey (NHL Standings, Campbell Conference, Norris Division).

CRICKET

Table with columns for Three-Day Match (New Zealand vs. West Indies) and Three-Day International (Pakistan vs. Sri Lanka).

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Women's World Cup

Wednesday's results in the final slalom of the women's world cup: Petra Kronberger, Austria, 2:05.1; Deborah Compagnoni, Italy, 2:06.2; Vroni Schneider, Switzerland, 2:07.4; D. B. DeLoof, U.S., 2:13.4; S. Pernthaler, Sweden, 2:17.8; A. Ullrich, Austria, 2:20.8; S. Schneider, Germany, 2:23.7; E. Twardowska, U.S., 2:28.1; Ch. Christoff, Colombia, 2:39.1.

Merle Wins Giant Slalom, Schneider Retakes Lead

HINTERSTODER, Austria — Carole Merle of France served notice of her Olympic gold medal aspirations next month with a convincing victory Wednesday in a World Cup giant slalom. Merle, winner of three previous giant slaloms in past seasons, skied two faultless legs to outstrip her opposition with a combined time of 2 minutes, 34 seconds.

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